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WE HAVE THE FEELING THAT THE ELECTION OF GISCARD D'ESTAING
WILL RESULT IN AN INCREMENTAL GAIN IN THE PROSPECTS
FOR THE BELGIAN PURCHASE OF THE MIRAGE SUPER F-1 OVER ITS
AMERICAN COMPETITORS. HIS ELECTION REMOVES THE POSSIBLE
COMPLICATIONS FOR THE BELGIANS OF DEALING WITH A GOVERNMENT
INCLUDING COMMUNISTS ON A MAJOR PURCHASE OF MILITARY
EQUIPMENT. ALTHOUGH WE DO NOT BELIEVE THAT THIS
DEVELOPMENT NEED BE DECISIVE, IT IS ONE TO BE TAKEN INTO
ACCOUNT IN DEALING WITH THE FOUR-NATION TEAM THAT
WILL VISIT THE U.S. AT THE END OF JUNE. STRAUSSZ-HUPE

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